

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **1325**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 07 2015

RE: S.C.R. No. 108

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.C.R.  
No. 108 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH WEEKLY MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR TIME  
DEDICATED TO PHYSICAL EDUCATION IN ELEMENTARY, INTERMEDIATE,  
AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the  
Department of Education to establish weekly minimum standards of  
time dedicated to physical education in all elementary,  
intermediate, and middle schools with an emphasis on physical  
activities that are conducive to the health and vigor of the body  
and mind.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Department of Education, Department of Health, Hawaii  
Public Health Institute, American Cancer Society Cancer Action  
Network, and American Heart Association. Your Committee received  
comments on this measure from the Hawaii State Teacher  
Association.

Your Committee finds that childhood obesity is a major health  
concern affecting almost one-third of the children in the United  
States. Inadequate participation in physical activity is a  
significant contributor to obesity. Emphasizing physical activity  
in public schools will help combat childhood obesity and instill  
healthy habits in Hawaii's children. Moreover, a correlation has  
been shown to exist between fitness level and academic

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achievement. Promoting physical fitness by increasing time spent in physical education in elementary, intermediate, and middle schools may result in healthier, stronger kids who are ready for athletic and academic success.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 108 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Education,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Michelle N. Kidani". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SCR 108</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">EDU</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">4/1/15</div>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313</div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.				✓
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				✓
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	6			3
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted           <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted         </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive; margin-top: 10px;">Breene Hart</div>				
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